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Dear Ms. Goetschius:

This is in response to **your** letter **ofJune2**, 1999 regarding premiums for Medicaid beneficiaries under Missouri's **11**15 waiver. We believe our letter of May 25, 1999 adequately addresses these **issues**. However, for clarification purposes, we are requesting a waiver modification to allow **the monthly premium** for the **child/children** of a family with an income above 225 and below 300 percent of the federal poverty level to increase from \$65 to \$68. This amendment is necessary to allow over 1,500 children to continue receiving health care coverage under Missouri's MC+ for Kids.

Thank you for your consideration.

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cc: Judith Flynn /